the existing conditions of trade. The question of establishing such a market is under consideration.

MR. MAYI GOWDA (T. Narsipur Taluk).—

Q.—22. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

with reference to the announcement made during the last Dasara Session of the Assembly in October 1939, in reply to question No. 20 (*a*) and (*b*) that an estimate would be prepared for the construction of a *voddu* across the Cauvery at Bannur—

(*a*) whether the estimate has been got prepared and, if so, the amount of the estimate;

(*b*) whether an estimate would be prepared for the construction of a *pucca* bridge, if necessary;

(*c*) whether it is possible to provide the required amount for the above estimate in the current year's budget;

(*d*) whether they would agree to raise a debenture loan for the construction of the said bridge and clear the loan by the levy of tolls near the bridge ?

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (Mr. N. Sarabhoja). –

A.—22. (*a*) A regular estimate is not yet ready. The work will roughly cost Rs. 40,000.

(*b*) In view of the Cauvery bridge near T. Narsipur, a *pucca* bridge here is considered not necessary.

(*c*) The work has to be financed by the District Board.

(*d*) This does not arise in view of reply to clause (*b*).

MESSRS. N. Bhogi MALLIAH and H. P. BASAPPA (Heggadadevankote Taluk); G MALLANNA (Mysore Taluk); B. CHANNAPPA (Krishnarajanagar Taluk); *Rao Sahib* M RAMASWAMY (Mysore City Municipality); M. N. MAHANTHADEVARU (T.-Narsipur Taluk): K. C. SUBBANNA (Gundlupet Taluk); and M. S. BASAVANNADEVARU (Yelandur Jahgir).—

Q.—24. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the Government grant for the Hangala Water Supply in the Gundlupet Taluk;

(*b*) the capacity of the reservoir;

(*c*) the number of taps in the village;

(*d*) the population of the village;

(*e*) the average consumption per head per day;

(*f*) whether there were not petitions complaining against this scheme and praying for deepening the existing wells ?

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, LAW DEPARTMENT (Mr. H. V. Narayana Rão).—

A.—24. (*a*) No grant was given by the Government towards this scheme.

(*b*) 800 gallons.

(*c*) Seven.

(*d*) 2,149 (according to the 1931 Census).

(*e*) About 3 gallons. But, there are also other wells near the tank bed which have a plentiful supply of water.

(*f*) There was only one petition to the Taluk Amildar praying that the two wells inside the village be deepened. As these wells are very deep already and yet there is no water in them, no useful purpose would be served by deepening them. The restoration of the tank close to the village has been taken up on the representation of the villagers and, with its completion, the present complaint of drinking water for men and cattle will entirely disappear.

Rao Sahib M. RAMASWAMY (Mysore City Municipality).—

Q.—26. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) since how long has rural improvement scheme been in force;

(*b*) the number of villages in the State;

(*c*) how many of these villages have been improved?

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, LAW DEPARTMENT (Mr. H. V. Narayana Rao).—

A.—26. (*a*) The question has received special attention from the year 1914.

(*b*) 16,433 villages, according to the Census of 1931.

(*c*) All the villages have been benefited by the scheme. 256 villages have been selected for concentrated propaganda.

MR. K. NANJAPPA (Mysore City Municipality).—

Q.—27. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) how many students of the Kiruganiga community are studying in Colleges;

(*b*) the facilities afforded to them by Government;

(*c*) how many of them are graduates;

(*d*) how many of them are employed in Government service;

(*e*) whether there are any in the Gazetted ranks?

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, GENERAL DEPARTMENT (Mr. J. Appaji Gowda).—

A.—27. (*a*) Information is not available.

(*b*) The students of the community are eligible for Backward Class Community Scholarships and Free-studentships.

(*c*) The answer is in the negative.

(*d*) 26, including 7 in inferior service.

(*e*) The answer is in the negative.

MR. S. C. MALLIAH (Maddur Taluk).—

Q.—28. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) when and to what extent Irwin Canal water was made available in the taluks of Mandya, Maddur, Seringapatam and Malavalli;

(*b*) the number of births and deaths of children in each of these taluks every year, prior to the advent of the Irwin Canal;

(*c*) the number of births and deaths of children after the advent of the Irwin Canal (talukwar and yearwar);

(*d*) how many persons had enlargement of spleen as a result of Malaria in each of these taluks after the advent of the Irwin Canal (yearwar and talukwar);